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An Honour,
Well Won

THE announcement that Her Majesty the Queen has awarded the George Medal to two Hongkong police officers is received by the whole Colony with a deep sense of satisfaction and pride. Our Police Force since the war has, in a number of respects, become a model, and is the envy of other parts of the world. The courageous and steadfast bearing of all ranks in times of emergency and danger has frequently been demonstrated during the past five or six years. The recognition given the bravery of Detective Sub-Inspector Hidden and Detective Constable Chow Fook, is not only for themselves well deserved, but can properly be regarded as a tribute to the entire police force. Their duties today call not only for efficiency, but for tact, imagination, courage and integrity. All these qualities are being daily displayed, and because of it law and order is more strongly preserved in Hongkong than ever before. In congratulating the three officers whose gallantry and devotion to duty in the gun battle with gangsters in the New Territories on September 17, 1950 have received such distinguished recognition, we add too our felicitations to the entire Police force whose esprit de corps so largely contributes to its efficiency and effectiveness.

Naval Command

BRITISH resentment at the pressure now being applied by Washington for the appointment of an American admiral as commander of Allied naval forces in the Mediterranean is fully understandable. Britain readily agreed to the proposition that an American general should be supreme commander of the NATO land forces and she bowed with good grace to the appointment of an American admiral as overall chief of the Allied navies. It is less easy, however, for her to surrender the position she has always held in the Mediterranean. As one London paper declares, "We know this sea." It was in the Mediterranean that Admiral Cunningham operated with such outstanding success in the last war, showing that, like his famous predecessors, he had the "natural touch." America's principal argument for the command of the Mediterranean navies appears to be that she is contributing most of the fighting strength in men and ships. Yet, when it comes to actual operations it is the strategy, tactics and personal knowledge of Mediterranean Sea by the commander-in-chief which becomes of paramount importance, and there is nothing to show that the United States possesses admirals superior to those of the British navy in these attributes. This is one NATO command which rightfully belongs to Britain.

Water Crisis

THE Colony has been given another official warning that a dangerously acute water shortage is threatening. The recent rains, while welcome, have been insufficient to contribute to the storage. The reservoirs are appallingly low for this time of the year. Rain we must have if the situation is to be effectively alleviated, and it is of some comfort that the Water Authority expresses some optimism in this respect. Nevertheless until that essential rain arrives, it is incumbent on the whole community to use water from the mains carefully to a point of being frugal. Any person who wastes water at this time is jeopardising the welfare of the Colony.

NATO Gives Germany Security Guarantee

RECIPROCITY A CONDITION

Paris, May 6. The North Atlantic Council agreed today to guarantee Germany's security as a member of the six-nation European Army but only if she promises to help the 14 NATO nations in case of an attack. The Permanent Council has adopted technically a treaty annex as a reciprocal agreement between NATO and the European Defence Community. But since only Germany is not a NATO member among the EDC group the pact had the effect of applying uniquely to the Federal Republic. A NATO spokesman disclosed that there was no "automatic" guarantee of aid as in other agreements, like the Brussels pact. Each nation would decide what aid measures were "deemed necessary".

Jersey Threatened By Cattle Disease

London, May 6. The epidemic of the cattle disease spread today to Jersey — Channel Island home of the famous pedigree cattle.

The island was declared a restricted area.

Under the new emergency restrictions in Jersey, dogs are only allowed out on a leash. Any found running loose are liable to be shot on sight and the owners prosecuted.

The 2,500 seasonal French workers who begin arriving there this week-end for lifting the early potato crop will pass through a carpet of disinfectant as they come off the steamers from the mainland.

In Eire where the government has taken swift action to ward off an outbreak, visitors had their shoes disinfected at the opening of the Royal Dublin Society's spring show today.

CLOTHES SPRAYED

Those in contact with cattle, pigs and sheep exhibitors had their clothes sprayed.

The British Government today banned the movement of cattle throughout the whole of England and Wales as the grave epidemic of foot and mouth disease spread still further afield.

Part of England and a large area of Scotland were already under the rigid ban which prohibits the movement of herds or cattle or other cloven hoofed animals without written permission from the Ministry.

Tonight's drastic action was taken after reports had reached the Ministry of Agriculture headquarters here that the epidemic had spread to two more areas in central England today, while a third new outbreak was suspected in Wales.

The Minister of Agriculture, Sir Thomas Duggdale, today described the nation-wide outbreak as "a growing menace." — Reuter.

Labour Claims Big Gains In Municipal Elections

London, May 6. The Labour Party claimed tonight to have gained 104 seats in results so far announced in the second round of Britain's "little general election" for local councils.

The Conservatives claimed that Labour had gained only 82 seats—but they admitted the loss of 62 Conservative seats against only 14 Labour losses in the voting which started yesterday.

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Under the agreement, which must be ratified by all members of the NATO and EDC, the governing bodies of both groups may meet together at the request of either side.

Also, if any individual member feels that its security is threatened, it may request a joint meeting.

The effect of this provision will be to help the passage of the European Army agreement through the hitherto hesitant French Assembly.

Observers noted that France can call a joint meeting if it feels that Germany is threatening the integrity or continued existence of the EDC by pulling out as has been feared in French quarters after West Germany's recent election.

The "guarantee" to Germany applies only so long as she is a member of the European Army. The other members are France, Belgium, Italy, Holland, Luxembourg.

In its two-hour meeting under the chairmanship of Lord Ismay, NATO Secretary-General, the Council also set up a working group to lay the ground work for an annual economic review of the progress and capabilities of member nations agreed to at the recent London conference.

NATO officials said that the 1952 review would be finished by November at the latest, setting the scale for a joint 1953 effort and looking ahead for two more years.

The Council established an experts' party consisting of members from the United States, Belgium, Norway, France and Portugal to investigate a site for permanent NATO headquarters here.

It is at present housed in the old building of the United Nations.

Lord Ismay and the delegates also discussed a "new look" streamlined NATO organization which would allow it to handle the heavy burdens of European defence. — United Press.

ROYAL VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

Sydney, May 6. The Sydney Morning Herald today quoted a high government source as saying that the British and Australian Governments agreed that Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh should visit Australia early in 1954.

The newspaper said that the agreement had been arranged in an exchange of cables and that an official announcement was expected to be made later this month. — Reuter.

Girl Trapped In Well

Can, May 6. Rescue workers dug desperately tonight through earth and rocks to reach an 18-year-old girl, Bernadette Delahaye, who is trapped at the bottom of a six-foot deep well at Enquay, Notre Dame, near here.

The girl, entombed since 8 a.m. local time today, was being lowered down the well on a rope by her father to retrieve a bucket when earthwork at the rim of the well collapsed.

The father, a local cafe owner, lost his grip of the rope and Bernadette fell into the water with earth and rocks showering down.

This morning, rescue workers could hear the girl praying but there was no sound from her after 2 p.m.

Firemen were called to help in the rescue. — Reuter.

DRAMATIC ESCAPE

Six Men Survive Plane Crash

Oslo, May 6. Six men walked into the Drangdalen railway station west of Oslo this morning and described their escape from an aeroplane which crashed, exploded and went up in flames in Telemark province, south Norway.

Eleven of the 29 people aboard the aircraft were killed.

The aircraft, a Dakota, was on a flight from Amsterdam to Carlsberg airport on the Oslo Fjord.

The stewardess, only member of the crew of four to survive, said she was in the pilot's cabin just before the accident. As she returned to her place at the back of the plane, it lurched and the fell to the floor. She told the passengers to fasten their safety belts, and the plane hit a hill and fell into thick wood.

There was an explosion and the plane burst into flames. Some of the passengers were thrown clear and some managed to crawl to safety just in time.

The local police chief said none of the survivors was seriously injured.

It was so dark and the woods so thick that the six men had to wait until dawn before starting out for help. — Reuter.

QUEEN VISITS THE BIF

London, May 6. Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh went visiting at the British Industrial Fair here today and bought their children some toys.

Three-year-old Prince Charles got a trick rubber pencil which doesn't write and a bug which jumps several feet in the air.

Twenty-months-old Princess Anne, like most little girls, got some dolls.

The Duke browsed about the sport section and bought some shuttlecocks for badminton and a new set of golf balls.

Like most British couples, the Queen and her consort spent most of their two-hour tour just window shopping. — Associated Press.

Weather Station On Ice Float

Washington, May 6. The United States air force announced today that it had established a weather station — probably permanent — on an ice float about 230 kilometres from the North Pole.

Six men will man the station which will be supplied by parashute.

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The sharp denunciation of the Japanese peace treaty and its accompanying US-Japan security pact and treaty with Nationalist China was made by Communist China's Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, over Radio Peking.

Chou's statement underlined these three points:

1.—That all occupation troops be withdrawn from Japan.

2.—The Japanese peace not be recognised.

3.—Opposition to the Japanese treaty with Nationalist China.

The Peking broadcast declared that the San Francisco treaty makes Japan "a US military beachhead in the Far East" and that "Japan is dragged by the US into a position of open antagonism to China, the Soviet Union and the other Asian states."

Chou's statement added that "his aim is to isolate Japan in Asia."

The broadcast went on to say that the "separate peace treaty places Japan in the position of not of independence but of grave national crisis; not peace but war; not glory but humiliation."

Red China also charged that:

1.—Countless Japanese war criminals whose hands still reek of blood have been released or cleared from purge.

2.—"Many Japanese youths in the name of 'self-defence' are dragged off to form mercenary units for the US in Japan." (Presumably this refers to the National Police Reserve enforcements).

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NEW FORMULA

Sir Eden and his two advisers then drew up a new formula to solve the Sudan issue of the dispute — King Farouk's claim to be King of the Sudan. This formula was submitted to the Egyptian Government by Sir Ralph on Saturday in Cairo.

The Sudan has so far proved to be the most difficult of the two factors involved in the dispute. The other, the defense of the Suez Canal, is understood to have been virtually settled through an agreement on the future of the Sudan.

Preliminary Egyptian reactions to the new British formula have not been favourable.

The new British formula was approved last week by Mr Churchill and the British Cabinet.

Amr Pasha is expected to enter a London nursing home shortly for medical treatment.

An Egyptian Embassy spokesman said last Friday that he had been medical observation. — Reuter.

Salvage From Sunken Submarine



Captain Otto Olsen (right), of the salvage vessel Kirsten Jensen, examines some copper-plates with Diver H. Olsen. They are part of a salvaged German submarine which was sunk by RAF bombers off the coast of Jutland on May 4, 1945, three days before the Germans surrendered. At least one woman was on board the submarine at the time of sinking, and a skirt has been handed to the police by Captain Olsen. The torpedo room was found to be filled with canned goods, the discovery of which has revived theories that Nazi leaders were trying to escape from Germany.

Vietminh Rebels Driven From Fortified Village

Saigon, May 6. French artillery and aerial bombs forced rebels from a strongly-fortified village 13 miles northeast of Hanoi today as workers rushed to complete a 180-mile concrete defence line around the Tonkin bastion.

A headquarters communiqué said 22 rebels were killed and 24 taken prisoner. French casualties were described as "light."

Elsewhere in the Hanoi rice bowl, only patrol skirmishes were reported. Official confirmation that the network of blockhouses was almost finished was disclosed by French headquarters here.

Churchill & Amr Pasha Have A Talk

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NEW REDOUTS

Taft Regains Lead In Race For The Nomination Record Ohio Voting

New Krakatoa?

Karachi, May 6. Pakistan has sent a geological expert to Kutchupia, an island off the coast of East Pakistan, to investigate whether it is developing into another Krakatoa, the Indonesian island whose volcanic explosion in 1883 killed 36,000 people.

Sulphur has been found on Rutupia which was rocked 20 times in 72 hours last March.—Reuter.

NO BASIS FOR TALKS RUMOURS

Tokyo, May 6. A Foreign Office spokesman said today that he knew of no basis for rumours that India would act as a neutral in arranging a Russo-Japanese peace settlement.

He disclosed:

1.—The Japanese Government expects to open negotiations with India on a bilateral peace treaty shortly—possibly this month. India and Japan have already exchanged notes ending the state of war and are re-opening diplomatic relations.

India did not attend the San Francisco peace conference.

2.—Japan is giving top priority to the appointment of Ambassadors to India and Indonesia and will open embassies there soon.

3.—The Government will announce within a few days the Japanese Ambassador appointed to London, Washington and Paris.

4.—The Government is looking for an outstanding diplomat to serve as Japan's first Ambassador to Australia and hopes to open a Canberra Embassy in July.

The spokesman also said that the Foreign Office has started talks with the American Embassy on the damage done to American property during the Communist May Day riots in Tokyo and believes that some measure will be found to compensate the owners of cars burned by rioters. No claims had yet been received. —United Press.

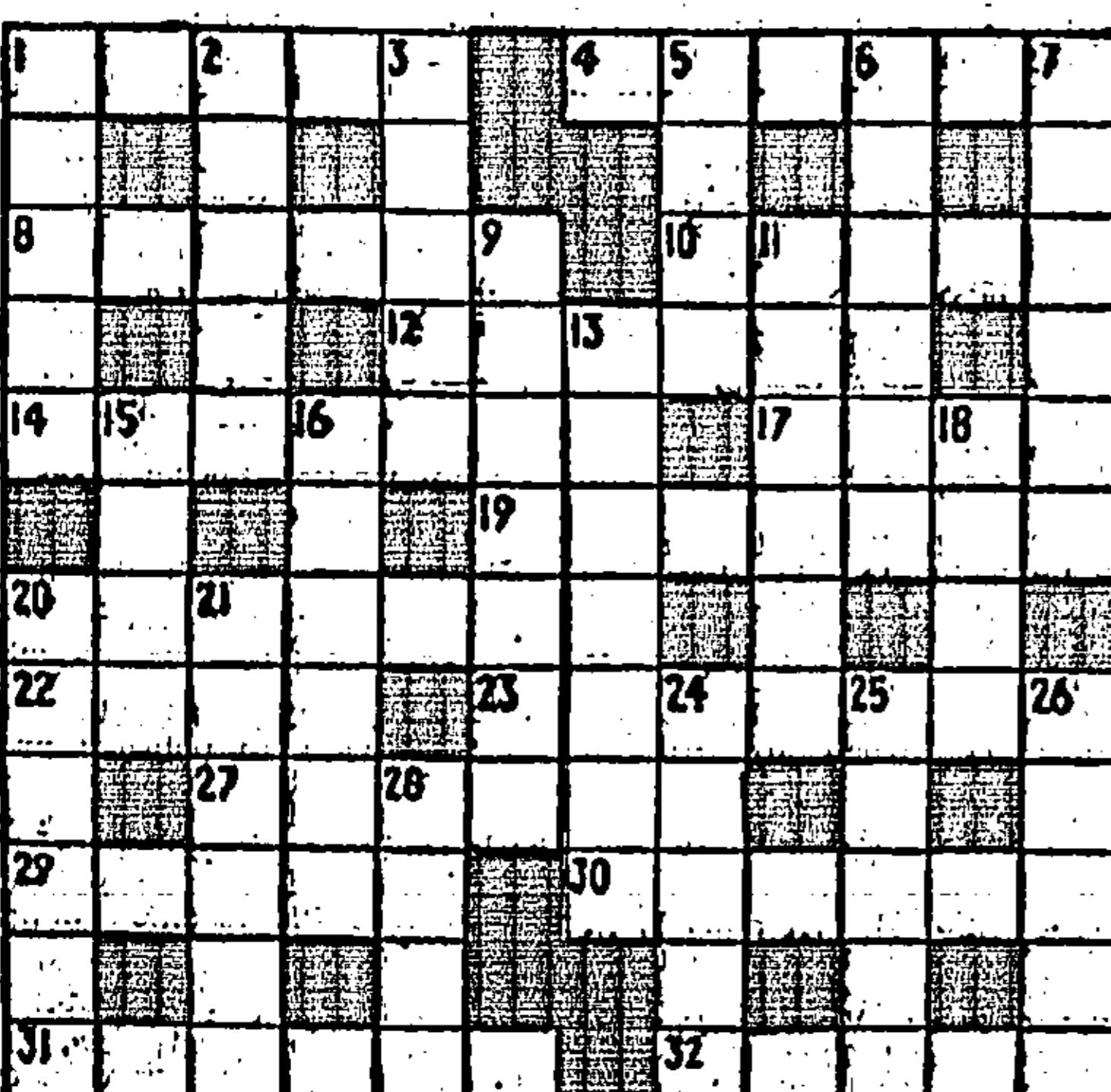
Libya A Member Of WHO

Geneva, May 6. The Kingdom of Libya was admitted as a full member to the United Nations World Health Organisation.

A plenary meeting of the General WHO Assembly approved the Libyan application for membership by acclamation.

Libya becomes the 70th member nation of the Organisation. Ten other nations, including the entire Soviet bloc, have walked out since WHO was established. —Associated Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Snake (5).
4. Road curvature (6).
6. Lenited (6).
10. Eyes amorously (6).
12. Usual (6).
14. Impair (7).
15. Warded off (7).
20. Law (7).
22. Portion (4).
23. Oriental (7).
27. Interfer (6).
29. Leap (6).
30. Run quickly (6).
31. Principal (6).
32. Played a part (6).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3. Pleasure; 8. Room; 9. Dominate; 10. Promoted; 16. Peat; 18. Navigate; 19. Envolved; 20. Simon; 21. Features; 25. Disperse; 26. Flig; 27. External; 28. Down: 1. Grip; 2. Halo; 4. Loot; 5. Avid; 6. Urge; 7. Elect; 9. Dodge; 10. Melts; 12. Realm; 14. Scene; 15. Anger; 17. Elite; 19. Sido; 20. Upset; 21. Fury; 22. Amur; 23. Role; 24. Sign.

Academy On The Embankment

London, May 6. A "People's Academy" opened in the Embankment Gardens today.

Some 150 artists displayed their pictures, one of the largest being "Bells and New Garden", painted by William Smith. Paintings were hung on a wire fence specially erected by the London County Council, which also provided a covering for the pictures against rain. —Reuter.

Queries On Arrests In Sudan

London, May 6. Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, was asked questions in the House of Commons last night on the recent arrest of trade union leaders in the Sudan.

Mr Eden replied that he had been informed that three leaders of the Sudanese Trade Union Federation, who had made inflammatory political speeches, were recently detained for refusing to enter into a bond to be of good behaviour and keep the peace.

He added that 12 members on the committee of the federation were also arrested on April 27 on a charge of attempting to incite workers to take part in an illegal strike.

Mr Tom Dibbings (Labour) asked further if there was any truth in reports that the arrests were connected with a proposal for affiliation to the World Federation of Trade Unions.

Mr Eden said: "As far as I know they have nothing whatever to do with that. Certain allegations by the W.F.T.U. about measures taken in the Sudan a short while ago were investigated by the International Labour Organisation in March of this year and found to be without foundation." —Reuter.

Revision Of Japanese Labour Laws

Tokyo, May 7. The Cabinet will today approve a set of draft bills revising the labour union, labour relations adjustment and public utility labour union laws for immediate presentation to the Diet session.

The action was accelerated by last week's May Day riots.

Coupled with the subversive activities prevention bill, whose early enactment the Government is seeking, the revisions of the labour legislation are expected by the Government generally to prevent subversive activities.

The revisions propose, among other things, to provide the Prime Minister with the right to forcibly mediate in a strike involving a public utility, and to curtail to 15 days the present 30-day cooling off period before a strike can be called for. —Associated Press.

Krupp For Ankara

Paris, May 6.

The Turkish radio announced today that the German industrialist Alfred Krupp, is due to arrive in Ankara on May 12.

The famous industrialist is expected to meet Turkish business men, the radio said. —France-Press.

Heavy Voting

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East and West Germany have signed a new inter-zonal trade agreement worth a total of 120,000,000 Marks after a nine-months breakdown in inter-zonal trade, West Berlin officials announced tonight.

No date had been finally fixed for the exchange of goods to begin, they said.

An agreement worth 100,000,000 Marks was signed last September but did not go into effect after the Western Allies charged that the Soviet authorities in East Germany were strangling West Berlin's export trade.

The new agreement includes delivery of steel, iron, metal products and chemicals from West Germany to East Germany in exchange for timber, agricultural products, fuels and textiles.

One-third of the West German deliveries will be iron and steel products.

Details about the new trade exchange are to be published in the Bonn Government Gazette later this week, officials said.

West Berlin is to be considered part of West Germany in the trade exchange and will also deliver and receive goods from East Germany.

The figures given by the West Berlin trade experts today included: shipment from West Germany to East Germany—chemicals worth 0,500,000 Marks; textiles 7,700,000 Marks; iron and steel 7,000,000 Marks; iron and steel products

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Dr. Figl Paying First Visit To Britain Today

London, May 6.

The Austrian Federal Chancellor, Dr Leopold Figl, who arrives in Britain tomorrow on a four-day visit as the guest of the Government, will have important business talks with British Ministers during his stay in London.

Dr Figl, paying his first official visit to Britain since the end of the war, will arrive in London during the final drafting stages of a further note to Russia from the French, American and British Governments on the future of Austria.

TUNISIAN LEADERS RELEASED

Tunis, May 6.

Tunisian Nationalist Ministers held in forced residence in South Tunisia since they were expelled from the Cabinet by the French on March 28, have been freed, it was announced tonight.

Colonel Ciblous, head of the Military Staff of the French Resident-General, Count Jean de Hautecloque, flew to the Island of Djerba, off the Tunisian coast, today and returned with the ex-Ministers.

They are—Mohammed Chenu, the former Prime Minister, Dr Mohammed Ben Salémi, former Health Minister, Mohammed Salahi M. Zali, former Commerce Minister, and Mahmoud Materi, former Minister of State.

They were arrested on March 25 after the French had demanded the dismissal of the Government on the grounds that it had fomented unrest in Tunisia.

The new Premier, Salah Eddine Baccouche, has been insisting that their release was one of the conditions necessary for prominent Tunisians to serve on the proposed Joint Franco-Tunisian Commission on constitutional reforms.

He also considered it necessary that the French proposal for reforms should be widened.

It was thought here that the ex-Ministers would be kept under surveillance in their homes for the time being. —Reuter.

AID CUTS VOTED

Washington, May 6.

The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee today voted to cut \$1,010,000,000 from President Truman's \$7,900 million Foreign Aid Bill.

The Committee Chairman, Mr J. P. Richards, said all of the cuts—totalling 12.8 per cent—were from money requested for Europe. —Reuter.

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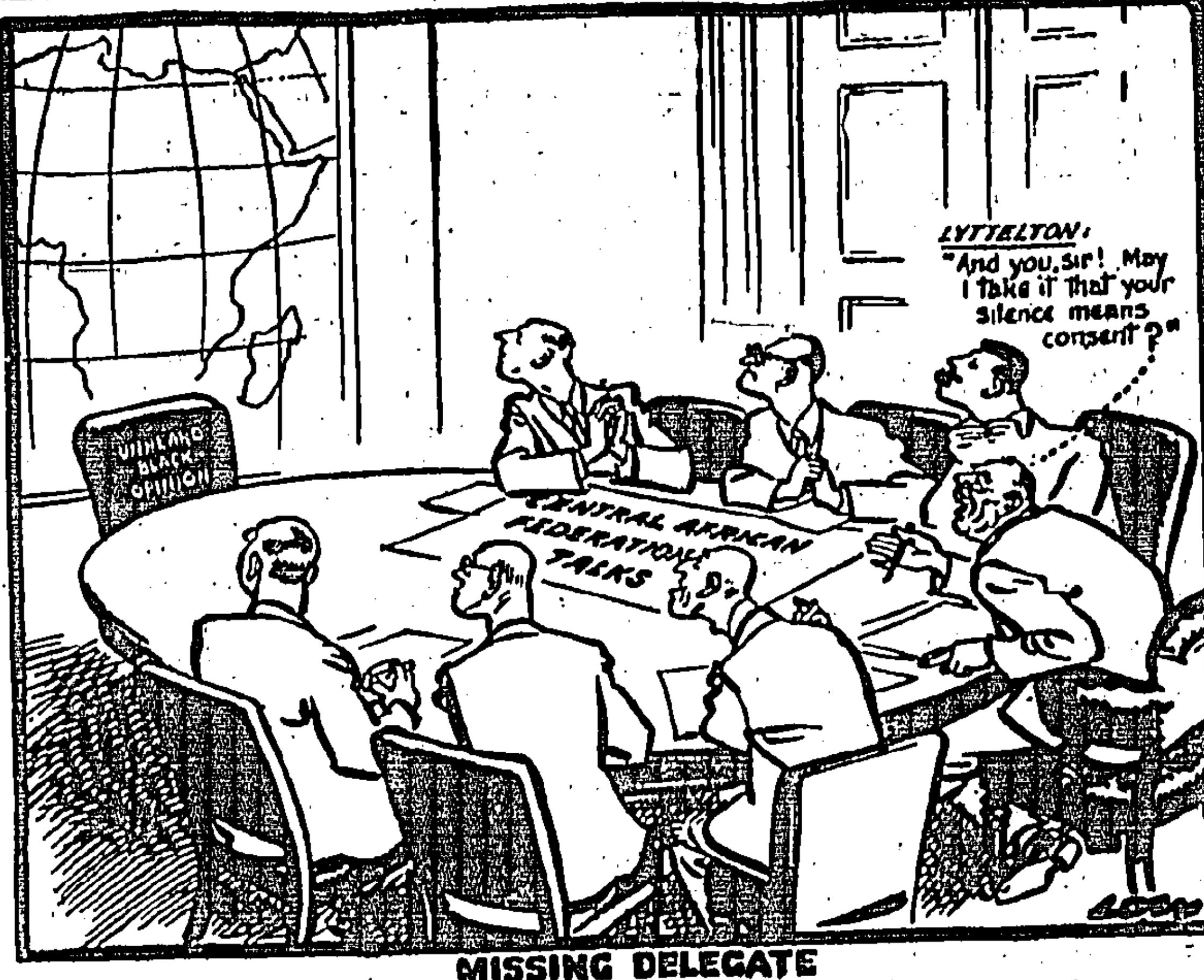
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A SAINT BEHIND 'THE NOSE'

by JOHN G. DRUMMOND

THERE'S a million good-lookin' guys—but I'm a novelty." Barked in a voice reminiscent of a sea-lion with laryngitis, that is Jimmy "Schnozzle" Durante's explanation of his success.

As a crack it is in the Durante tradition. As a potential career story it is neither the truth nor the whole truth—in fact, it is anything but the truth.

Novelties rocketed to the top in show business. If they have talent they may even stay there for a bit, but it takes something near to genius to stay at the top for as long as Schnozzle has done.

The little man with the big nose, born James Francis Durante, of the tough, teeming East Side district of New York, son of an immigrant Italian barber from Salerno, has been a star for 30 of his 50 years.

First it was cabaret, then vaudeville, then musical comedy. Films came next, followed by radio, and now he has rounded off a non-stop success story by becoming the top triumph by becoming the top money-earner in American television.

The other aspects of it, and the fantastic story of his career as an entertainer, are told in "Schnozzle" by his friend and biographer Gene Fowler.

The Money He Can't Keep His Hands On

DURANTE is probably unique in being the only great comedian in the history of the world who has genuinely and stubbornly refused to believe in his own success.

"Don't put me on a pedestal," plied this mullah of the English language. "Some day folks are going to realize they are crazy to pay me all that money."

"All that money" is currently coming in at the rate of half a million dollars a year, yet some years not a cent remains in his savings account. Schnozzle's heart is bigger than his nose; he is known as the softest touch in the business and the income-tax man doesn't take it just gives away.

When his financial advisers protest, he replies: "I wish I was Rockefeller."

And once, when they complained bitterly that too few of his "cases" were deserving, he replied: "There are more good people than bad ones in the world. I don't mind if a gentleman scratches a match on the furniture, so long as he is careful to go with the grain."

This belief in the goodness of mankind—even the worst of them—goes back to his earliest days.

Durante, who is now paid 47,000 dollars for a one-hour television show, earned his first pay cheque by playing the piano at 17 in Coney Island dives that were the haunts of thieves, gamblers and racketeers of every description.

The most novel Treasure Hunt ever dreamed of

by SYDNEY SMITH

Paris.

T does not centre around any sunken coral reef. It starts with no tattooed piece of parchment bearing a spot marked X. But France has just seen the start of what must be the biggest-ever treasure hunt in the world.

It is for more gold than Captain Kidd and Philip of Spain together ever dreamed of. And it is being led by a little man in a black beret hat and plaid trousers.

Antoine Pinay is his name and he is the Prime Minister of France. The treasure, in the

opinion of M. Pinay, is hidden in old apple trees in provincial orchards, up chimneys, in stockings and old tin boxes.

Yet more is in scores of foreign banks and undeclared investments abroad, as well as in false returns at home.

M. Pinay's treasure hunt is based on the remarkably original idea that the hidden treasure which he estimates to be worth more than £600 million a year to the French Treasury will be enticed and pulled into giving itself up.

ORIGINAL...

SO M. Pinay, faced with a budget deficit of more than £450 million, a fast collapsing franc, and 40,000 distrustful Frenchmen—the treasure holders who planned this, the most courageous hunt in the whole history of France and probably of any modern country in the world!

First—he has declared a tax amnesty, "total, unlimited, and unconditional" for every form of tax evasion undiscovered by January 1 this year; Other hidden investments, or concealed capital, or false returns, every evaded duty, will be forgiven—provided they are declared before next July 14.

In the meantime, to accommodate the resulting flood of frightened cash M. Pinay has prepared a new series of loans unlike any other Government loans ever made.

"Every time I went down the street I'd hear 'Lookit, de big-nose kid!' and when anybody'd stare, I'd just sneak off. Even if they said nothin' at all, I'd shrivel up and think they was sayin' 'What an ugly kid! What a monster' and then I'd go home and cry."

"All through life, even when I am makin' a fortune on account of de big nose, and while I am out there on the stage laughin' and kiddin' about de nose, at no time was I ever happy about it. It was a catastrophe."

"One morning, not so long ago, Durante received a letter from a boy who wrote: 'I've got a big nose, Mr. Durante. Everybody laughed at my nose. But then I saw you, Mr. Durante, in a movie. And geel when you kept laughing about your nose it made me feel good all over. And the other fellas call me 'Schnozzle' and I'm awful proud.'

"Durante sat reading this, then beamed round the breakfast table.

"A big load has just fallen off, like an awful curse!" he said.

The nose problem was almost solved. Durante is a simple, modest man and certainly the least vain of all the artists I have known, but I think the last blow was struck in the

Battle of the Nose in 1943 when drama critic Ashton Stevens wrote:

"He would have been a great comic, even with a snub nose."

their dividends in the form of free season tickets to work, free holiday travel for the family.

The realistic French jumped at M. Pinay's railway loan.

As the long-suffering French investor has painfully learned in the past 30 years, you can cut the soul from the franc but you cannot cut a mete from a kilometre.

He rushed to buy the Pinay railway bonds. He paid £1,250.

WORTH IT

NOW the French are looking at the alternatives—a firm franc, a chance for a real investment in Government bonds which will pay material dividends, free travel, or cheaper food or rents, and they are feeling it is worth it.

The buried gold, in coins, and bars, and greenbacks, that

000 a day for over a month until the loan was vastly over-subscribed and the national railways were, amazingly enough, back on the rails.

M. Pinay's own Cabinet staff tell me that the new loans will find a vast new wealth of francs frightened from their strong-boxes or hidden treasure caches as well as foreign investments.

The dividends will be paid in something like kilometres—which cannot change their value.

But suppose this intriguing offer is not accepted and there are still distrustful Frenchmen who hope to keep their hidden funds, concealed profits, and overseas investments—what about them?

PENALTIES

HERE we come to stage two of the Pinay plan. M. Pinay's 44,000 tax collectors, liberated from searching into past swindling, are just swinging into full action against



post-amnesty defaulters. That means double the normal force, or double tax collection.

What happens if they catch you now? M. Pinay has just passed another law for that. Instead of the old secret "transaction," a private fine for tax evasion, M. Pinay says when the two months are up anyone found guilty of tax evasion will face these penalties:

A public TRIAL, his DRIVING LICENCE cancelled, his business TAKEN OVER by the Government, his name and crème POSTED on his local town hall—and on the front door or gate of his house for all the neighbours to see.

Anyone who does not like M. Pinay's "material interests" Government loan is obviously going to think again of this fearful prospect.

It never happened in France before. The old French profession of honourable, and dignified, tax evasion has suddenly disappeared. It is terrible, it is ghastly, say the French.

A great tradition has been extinguished—this Pinay is formidable.

WORTH IT

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The buried gold, in coins, and bars, and greenbacks, that

has not worked for 30 years, is beginning to come out.

It looks as though the little 60-year-old tanner owner from the provinces, the typical French bourgeois, little man, Antoine Pinay, is going to achieve what 13 polluted professional politicians since the war have failed to do—give back to France its integrity, its pride, and its independence from that loathsome dollar patrimony.

Great things are at stake. It is done. Not just for the French but for all of us west of the Iron Curtain.

GREAT NAME

A RESPECTABLE and firm franc at last will result a new devaluation which would certainly provoke a cascade of West European devaluation.

That in its turn would drag our own pound eventually down into its useless wake.

Until the first offender has his business taken away the wondering French will not quite know what has hit them.

But when they do, and if they acknowledge the changed times, then the name of the modest little provincial tanner owner, the amateur politician, Pinay, the "Treasure-Hunter," will join the great names of French history.

(London Express Service)

The Beak That Gave Him So Much Pain

DURANTE'S stage jokes (and

there isn't a blue one among them) would fill a gag book, but my favourite, which typifies the man as much as the comedian, concerns the famous nose:

"I'm lyin' on da park bench talkin' my sista—ns is my wort—when along comes a flock of fliers and settles on my nose. I lots 'em loiter—live and let live is my motto."

"Den a beak comes along—lights on my nose and stings me. 'Dat does it!' I says."

"Dere's always gotta be a smart alec in every crowd. Now—just for that—EVERYBODY OFF!"

Yet in his book on Durante's life, Gene Fowler is insistent on one point in particular. Jimmy Durante has succeeded in spite of, not because of, his outside nose.

This "Cathedral of nose," as one critic has called it,

the Germans that the British Government likes it or not, Britain and the other Western Powers, won at least £20,000,000, to the highest bidder if the Germans were not ready to buy the docks back at a cut price of £1,000,000.

The floating docks, seized in North German ports by the Royal Navy in 1945 as war booty, have been used by the Germans ever since without paying rent.

British High Commissioner Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick also asked Chancellor Adenauer to stick to an official British-German agreement about the docks made three months ago.

The sharp British note was sent after the Bonn Government had told Sir Ivone that the Germans did not recognise British ownership of nine of the docks.

These nine, claimed Chancellor Adenauer, were private

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"All-Rounder" On A Season's

UNUSUAL PEOPLE AND CURIOUS HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Could a league soccer team score six goals in one match, and five in the next and not earn a league point? Does every secretary of a golf club play golf? How far does a referee walk in the course of his refereeing experience?

Here "All-Rounder" presents some unique facts, mostly from what happened in the past Home football season.

11 GOALS, NO POINTS

Six goals and five goals in successive matches should be good enough for any team, but Farness Athletic, despite their eleven goals, got no points out of their two games in the Middlesbrough District League. They were beaten 6-0 and 5-0.

In the neighbouring South Bank League, on the same day, three teams each scored twelve goals.

QUICKEST GOALS

Reg Ryan's goal in nine seconds for West Bromwich Albion against Liverpool was the third quickest goal in first-class football, and is a record for the Midlands.

Quickest previously in these parts was that scored by Bob Ivenson for Aston Villa against Charlton in 1938. He netted in nine and three-fifths seconds—recorded, as was Ryan's, by stop-watch.

The record is jointly held by Sharp (Partick Thistle, 1947) and Langton (Preston, 1948) with goals in seven seconds.

10-MILES BACKWARDS

Mr C. A. Macey, the 37-year-old professional golfer of Crowborough, Sussex, has walked backwards from Crowborough to Lewes (16 miles) in just under four hours, and

claims this as an unofficial world record. Last year a man walked 12 miles backwards from Buxton to Macclesfield in 3 hr. 44 min.

NEEDS NO GOLF CLUBS

Retiring secretary of the Birmingham and District News Trade Golf Club is Mr John Mabbott, who is moving to Shrewsbury. Although he has never played a game of golf in his life, he has often been called upon to settle a knotty problem arising out of the interpretation of the rules and invariably has been found to be right. He owns no clubs and has only hit a golf ball twice.

SCOUTING BY TV

Something new in football scouting. A Scottish manager watched the TV broadcast of the England versus Scotland Schoolboys' International at Wembley in order to check on fifteen-year-old Charlie Brodie of Clydebank High School—the Scottish goalkeeper. For a manager to sit by his fireside 300 miles from a match in order to assess a player's worth made football history.

422 GOALS FOR THREE

Imagine a club having on its current payroll three forwards credited with the huge aggregate

230,000 GOLF SEASON

The highest prize money ever put up for competition in a British golf season will be available to the professionals this summer. Two new tournaments have been included in the calendar, one of £3,000 and one of £2,000, and this brings the grand total to be fought for to £30,000. Even this large amount pales into insignificance against the American total of £250,000 of which one player, Lloyd Mangrum, won a sum equivalent to the British total.

MOST VALUABLE TROPHY

The Isle of Wight Gold Cup is probably the most valuable football trophy in Britain. When it was presented to the Island FA in the early twenties it cost one hundred guineas. Its present worth must be well over £500.

"ALL OF A SHAKE"

So the 147 break at snooker by Clark McConachy, the New Zealander holder of the World's Billiards Championship, was not, after all, a world's record so far as official recognition is concerned.

It has been found that the break cannot be recognised because it was made on a table that did not quite conform to official standard specifications.

Until then, only one man, Leo Levitt, a Montreal amateur, had ever achieved the elusive maximum.

It would appear the McConachy was in trouble more than once during the break, which he dealt with by matchless play and superlative concentration, particularly when, in potting the last black, he had to run the cue ball through and come on to the yellow, off three cushions.

He played like a machine, but when the last ball went down he was "all of a shake" and unable to speak to admiring friends for some minutes.

McConachy potted 15 reds, 15 blacks and all the colours in a practice match against Pat Kitchen, the Beaufort Club referee who, as an official Billiards Association umpire, was able to authenticate the performance beyond all doubt.

NO DROP IN IRELAND

There may be a drop in the Soccers gates in England, but not in the Emerald Isle. Eire FA Secretary, Mr Joe Wickham, says that attendances were up 75 percent on last season, and his reason for it is that fewer star players than usual have been transferred to English clubs, and this resulted in keener competition in Ireland and more attractive games.

Reg Simpson, England batsman who has written a book on brighter cricket, gave an example of it today in the gymnasium with last year's 5ft. 3in. heavyweight champion, Albert Halsay.

Incidentally, Halsay's own championship adventures were less successful, and much more painful.

He broke a bone in his left hand—and has decided to leave the ring for good.

Peter Waterman, the new light welterweight champion from Calais BC, must certainly be considered an Olympic prospect.

Only 17, and with less than one senior season behind him, Waterman would find no better rivals in Helsinki than "Southpaw" Colin Harrison, the Sheldish pitman, whom he out-pointed in a final that looked more like a free-for-all.

In two overs Simpson drove and pulled England leg spinner, Doug Wright for 23 runs, including six fours. Wright, nevertheless, ended with figures of five wickets for 60 runs.

Nottinghamshire looked like bringing off their bid for victory until, with the score at 123, they lost three wickets for one run.

Earlier, Fred Ridgway (28) and J. Martin (24 not out) had put on 50 in 15 minutes in an exhilarating Kent last wicket stand.

It was only in this match of the six which finished today that both sides were able to complete all their overs.

Rain curtailed all the others. Details of the Kent Nottinghamshire game, which was played at Gillingham, were: Kent—204 and 332 (Evans 68); Nottinghamshire—309 and 101 (Simpson 78, Wright five wickets for 61 runs).—Reuter.

Royal Party Watches Olympic Horse Trials



Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and Princess Margaret, who were staying at Badminton House, Gloucester, as guests of the Duke of Beaufort, were spectators at the British Horse Society's Olympic Trials held in the grounds of their host's estate.

Photo shows Major J. Miller taking one of the jumps on Stella during the trials at Badminton.

Johnny Maloney Is Britain's Main Hope For Olympic Boxing

By GEORGE WHITING

Amateur boxing selectors hope to hear next week that the British Olympic Association will permit them to be represented at all 10 weights at Helsinki this summer. In theory, it is a good idea. In practice, it could be a waste of money.

The ABA have made it known that their championships at Wembley were not necessarily to be regarded as Olympic trials.

Nevertheless, they had all 20 of their finalists measured for Helsinki kit—just in case.

SNAP AND VIGOUR

Morgan, possibly penalised by the tape measure, could have skipped many of these embryo customers.

If this year's championships were any indication of the quality of our Olympic team, then the outlook is grim, indeed.

However, there are exceptions—and first among them would I nominate welterweight Johnny Maloney, the Dagenham airmen.

Maloney's final with Leslie Morgan, 18-year-old Action stonemason, compared favourably in style, speed, purpose and polish with anything these middleweights this season, Wells told the championships tottering helplessly round the ring on rubbery legs, after twice stretching his slender length on the floor for counts of eight.

For nine minutes Maloney and Morgan gave us hit, stop and counter out of the top drawer, and although the three judges were unanimous, the issue became no wider than a wafer.

"southpaw" champion from Battersea, I doubt if he or any of his ponderous colleagues would have much hope of hitting Olympian heights in Helsinki.

—London Express Service

THE AMATEUR CUP FINAL WINNERS



Walthamstow Avenue beat Leyton by two goals to one in the Amateur Football Cup Final at Wembley. Here the Walthamstow team chair their captain, D. Saunders after the match.

This Genius C.B. Fry Dwarfs Them All

Says PETER WILSON

It was a man's birthday the other day. He is 80, and although he has become a legend while he is still very much alive, lumbago does not respect even legends, and Captain Charles Burgess Fry, one of the great—one of the very great—characters of our life and times, is at the moment batting on a howler's wicket, but defending himself with skill and grace.

How do you describe a man who has done these things:

1. Captained England at cricket.

2. Played for Southampton in the FA Cup Final of 1902.

3. Put up the world's long jump record of 23ft. 6½ins. in 1892—20 years later it is only 20ft. 8½ins.

4. Missed an Oxford Blue for Rugger—the game at which he thought he would have been best—because of a knee injury.

5. Appeared as first string against Cambridge in the 100 yards and the long jump.

6. Was a fine boxer, a passable golfer, swimmer, sculler, tennis player and javelin thrower.

7. Fifty years ago was described as: "The finest all-round athlete in the British Isles."

INTERVIEWED HITLER

To describe him sounds easy—just an outstanding athlete who once came to the fore and now comes into the news again because of his age.

But how do you equate with this description a man who was regarded as at least the equal and possibly the superior scholar—politically to the first Lord Birkenhead and Lord Simon, both of whom subsequently became Lords High Chancellors...

A man who wrote a speech which turned Mussolini out of Corfu, and later interviewed Hitler on the truth of the youth movement in Germany...

A man who influenced Winston Churchill to persuade the Lords of the Admiralty to let naval cadets have a sea-going ship, and then, to scotch the idea that training ships were some form of reformatories, persuaded "Punch" to publish a cartoon with a youngster looking at Churchill, then Home Secretary, and asking him whether a boy couldn't be trained for the sea without first robbing a till.

How do you card index a man who scored a century in a cricket match one day and received an offer to take over the kingdom of Abyssinia the next? (The offer was made by a bearded, whisky-drinking Abyssinian bishop, who was looking for "an English country gentleman with £10,000 a year." Fry fulfilled the first of these requirements but never, alas, the latter.)

The answer is that you do not, you cannot and you never will be able to card index C.B. Fry.

He was the amateur in excelsis, the man who followed every diversified pursuit for love and not for gain. Indeed, I

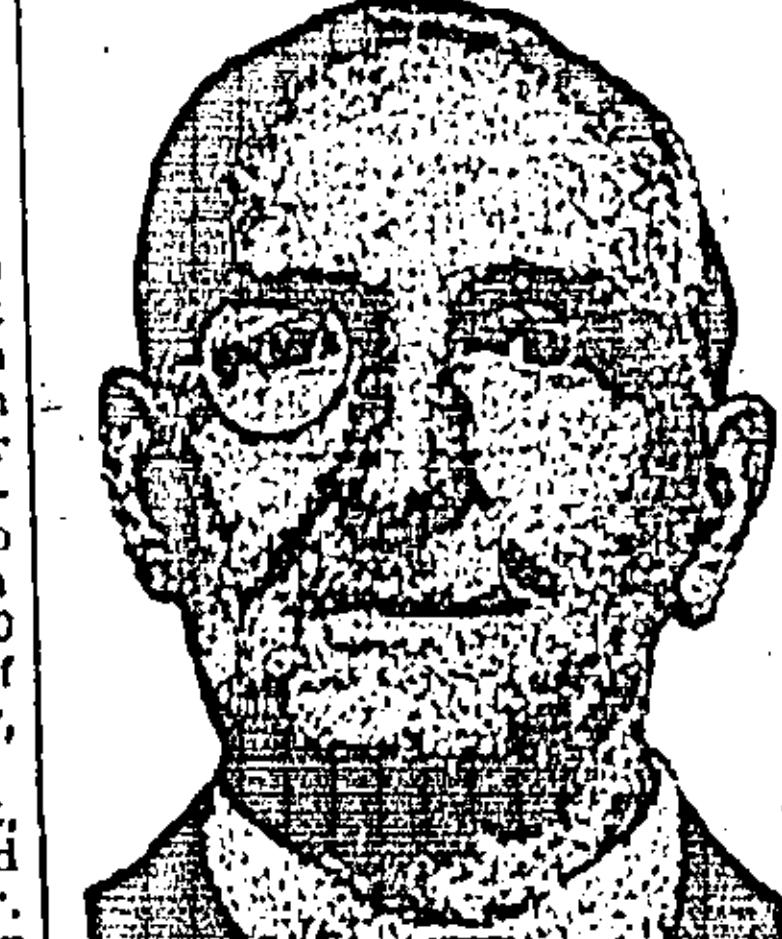


C. B. FRY . . . "like Apollo with a willow wand."

PETER WILSON turns the spotlight on Charles Burgess Fry, exceptional athlete and brilliant scholar.... who celebrated his 80th birthday on April 25.

doubt if he ever spent a single day of the nearly 30,000 that he has enjoyed in doing anything that he didn't think was of greatest importance at that moment.

Perhaps that explains why you might have found him translating the English hymnal into Greek or Latin verse, or sitting



NOW . . . "monocled and grey, created, looks like Zeus with the lighthouse of Pharoah under his brow."

Marathon Race For "Dowman Trophy" Today

The Police marathon road race for the "Dowman Trophy" will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The trophy was presented by Chief Insp. C. Dowman and will be put up for competition annually by divisional teams of four runners.

Prizes will also be awarded to the first three to finish.

The race will start near the Far East Motors in Nathan Road, at 3 p.m., and end at the Police Sports Club in Boundary Street.

The route will be through Hung Hom and Kowloon City to Boundary Street.

as a delegate on the Indian representation to the League of Nations, or volunteering in 1912, at the age of 70, to go down the coal mines.

But perhaps, above all, that explained why he made his real life work training boys, British boys—many of them from squaddies under-privileged backgrounds to learn the glory which created the first Elizabethan England, the swashbuckling courage of a Drake, the pioneering valour of a Raleigh, the nautical statesmanship of a Frobisher.

For 42 years he was the Commander of the training ship Mercury and for 42 years he received no remuneration for this work.

Today the devotees who saw Fry in the days when he made six successive centuries in first-class cricket—a record never sur-

VICTORY SHIELD MATCH YESTERDAY PRODUCED SOME GOOD FOOTBALL

Says "SPIV"

Congratulations to both the Chinese Federation and the Combined Services teams who served the almost capacity crowd at the Club ground yesterday with 70 minutes of grand soccer and helped to bring the local competitive season to a bright close.

The Chinese Federation won the Victory Shield with a 5-3 decision, but the Services gave an equally good account of themselves and were unfortunate in not having at least forced a draw.

Much of the credit for yesterday's good soccer was in fact due to the Services team, who set a lightning pace from the opening whistle and maintained it to the end.

Adopting an aggressive game, they kept on pounding at the Chinese goal at repeated intervals, and if they lost yesterday, it was due not so much to inferior soccer as to the failure of the bold gamble of playing a forward and outside game.

WEAKNESS IN CENTRE

The only evident weakness was in the centre of their defence, through which repeated break-throughs were made by the Chinese resulting in no less than four goals, although one was a doubtful off-side goal.

Another goal was the result of a desperate attempt by centre-half Tomlinson, who in attempting to get to the ball at King Lok-sang's feet in a through run, tipped it past an oncoming Gammon.

The two wing-halves, Lobb and Osborne, however, gave a stimulating performance with their first-time tackling, and were in a great measure responsible for holding the two most dangerous wings in the Colony, Ho Ying-fun and Hui Ching-to, well in check.

The forwards never played better and were definitely strengthened by the choice of Etheridge at centre-forward, who gave the attack a powerful punch.

Twice, they gave the crowd an idea of what they were capable of, when in the twinkling of an eye from the kick-off, after a goal had been scored against them, they put the ball past Yue Yuk-tak in the Chinese goal.

Pick of them was right-winger Johnson, who gave another impressive performance and the huge ovation given him by the Chinese crowd when he went up to receive his medal at the end of the match was eloquent appreciation of a great game played.

FATIGUE KEPT UP

The Chinese started off slowly, but, forced by their opponents, gradually kept up with the fast pace and countered with a new type of slip-slap soccer of direct methods rather than fancy passing.

Ho Ying-fun and Hui Ching-to, found themselves well marked by the two halves and two backs, and although dangerous whenever in possession of the ball had their assaults from the wings well blunted.

The ability of the inside forwards to rise to the occasion with direct through passes gave them their victory. Lee Yuk-tak was responsible for two of the Chinese goals, King Lok-sang, though a little erratic, for another two, one with the help of Tomlinson and Szeto Man for the fifth goal.

The Chinese defence was shaky through the initial stages, with their hands full trying to wave off the blitzkrieg attacks of the Services forwards.

They were swept off their feet with the Services' first two goals, but successfully held on when the Services simulated another attempt at a quick equaliser as the score mounted to 3-2 in the Federation's favour.

The Chinese led by 3-2 at the interval.

The Chinese increased their lead to 4-2 in the 18th minute of the second half. A first-time forward pass by Lee Yuk-tak sent King Lok-sang through.

King Lok-sang and Kwok Shek sustained slight leg injuries during the first half, but were incapacitated for a short period.

In the second half Chan Ka-pan sustained a cut on the temple in a heading collision with Dalziel, but in the while it was a clean, robust, and hard-tackling game rendered a little dangerous by the slippery condition of the ground.

One good lesson perhaps learnt by the Services players yesterday was that they played the right game to beat the Chinese combination and would probably have done so with a slightly stronger defence, particularly in the centre.

THE GOALS

Lee Yuk-tak opened the scoring for the Chinese in the 11th minute. Ho Ying-fun worked the ball up on the right-wing towards the inside-right position and squared it to Lee who nicely trapped the ball and drove it low and hard to the corner of the net.

In a flash, however, the Services drew level. A right-wing centre by Etheridge found Dalziel who headed the ball past Yue Yuk-tak.

King Lok-sang got to a through pass in the 12th minute and streaked for the goal in the centre. Tomlinson raced from behind as Gammon too was advancing. Trying to tip the ball away, Tomlinson succeeded only in pushing it past Gammon into the goal, to give the Chinese a 2-1 lead.

Again almost immediately, the Services equalised. A good movement by Johnson to Etheridge saw Etheridge hold on another good diagonal ground cross that was well taken by Thompson in his stride. Thompson had little difficulty in putting the ball past Yue at point-blank range.

Just before the interval, the Chinese again took the lead. Receiving a square pass from Lee Yuk-tak just past the mid-field, Ho Ying-fun first timed the ball forward to send Lee through in the middle. Lee evaded the opposing centre-half and right-back and drove the ball and right-back and drove the ball past Gammon.

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Another Soviet Weightlifter Breaks Record

London, May 6.

A Russian weight lifter has established a world record for the two-hand snatch in the middle heavyweight division, the Soviet official sports paper "Soviet Sport" reports.

A copy of the April 29 edition of the paper received here today said A. Voroviyev of Sverdlovsk lifted 205½ pounds (134 kilograms) to better the mark set in Milan in 1951 by the World Champion, Norbert Schermansky of Detroit.

Schermansky's record in the new division, competed for the first time in 1951, was 204½ pounds (133.5 kilograms).

In Olympic competition, in which the Russians are entered, winners are determined on the basis of the aggregate weight of the three tests—press, snatch and jerk.

Voroviyev's total for the three lifts was not given.

With the challenge tie less than month away, six players will be chosen from among 13 prospective players. The inability of some players from Penang and Selangor, in North Malaya, to come to Singapore in time has forced a postponement of intensive training.

In early trials, only two players were fighting fit. They were Wong Peng Soon, Singapore, and Ong Po Lim, who are in a class by themselves and the selectors need not go further in their search.

Among the 13 players chosen for training no less than 11 of them are first class doubles experts and finding three strong pairs from this wealth of material should be a easy job.

The Malayan selectors are leaving no stone unturned to find the two most formidable pairs who will be good enough to ward off any challenge on May 31 and June 1, let the challenger be the United States, Denmark or India.

Prizes will also be awarded to the first three to finish.

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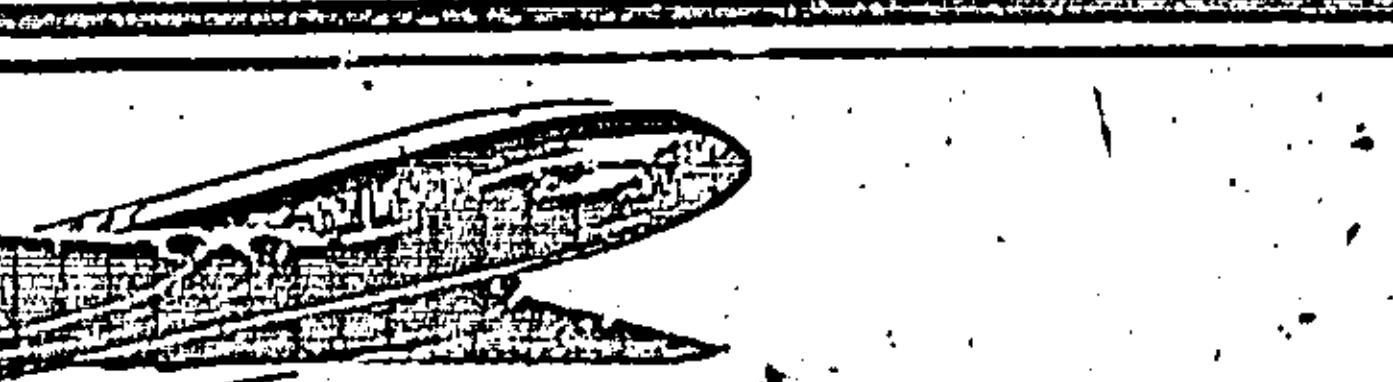


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"CHANGTE"	Kure	9 a.m. 8th May
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"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	20th May
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Sailed	—
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do	15th May
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All claims must reach us before the 3rd June, 1952, or they will not be recognised.

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Recently Aramco's President, Robert J. Keyes, moved to Ayadh, the Saudi Arabian capital, on the King's insistence.

In five years Aramco must surrender half of its 400,000 square miles oil concession to the Saudi Arabian Government.

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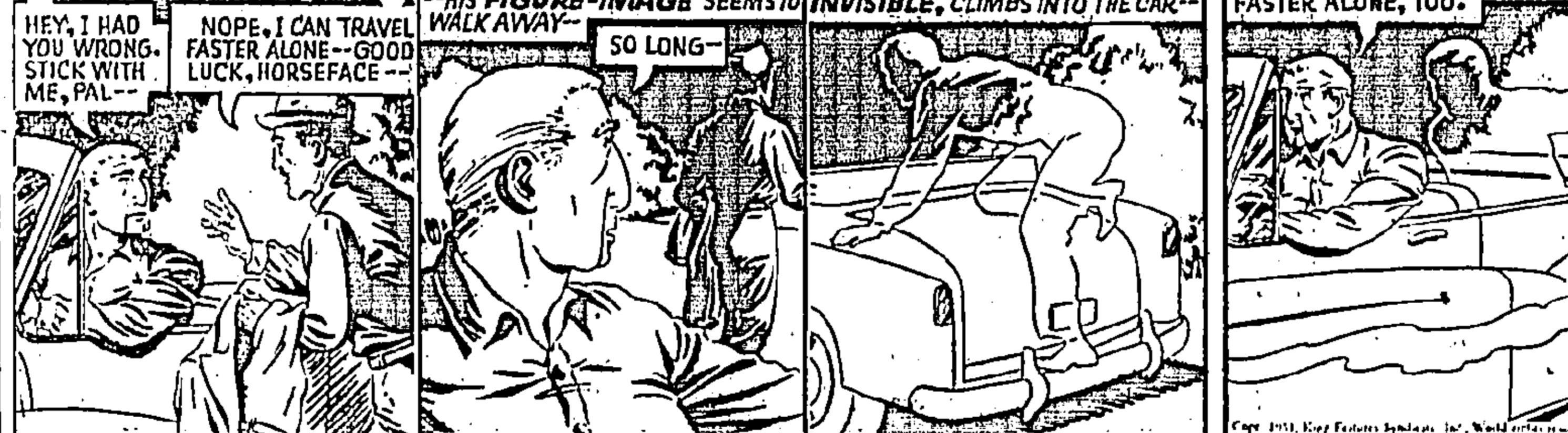
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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

Demand For Oil
Nationalisation
By Saudi Arabia

Belut, May 6.

King Ibn Saud and the Saudi Arabian Government have made demands on the gigantic Aramco — the Arabian-American Oil Company — which oil experts regard as proposals equivalent to the nationalisation of the country's enormous oilfields.

The immediate demand is reported to be that Saudi Arabia's share of Aramco's profit should be increased.

A spokesman of the oil company refused to divulge details of the demands.

An informant who has discussed the matter with King Ibn Saud, the Saudi Minister of Finance, and Prince Faisal told the Associated Press today details of what the Saudi Arabs want.

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1. Half the members of the Aramco Board of Directors must be Saudi Americans.

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3. Removal of the Aramco headquarters from the United States to Saudi Arabia. (King Ibn Saud is reported as saying that Aramco's continual reference to the U.S. for decisions irked him.

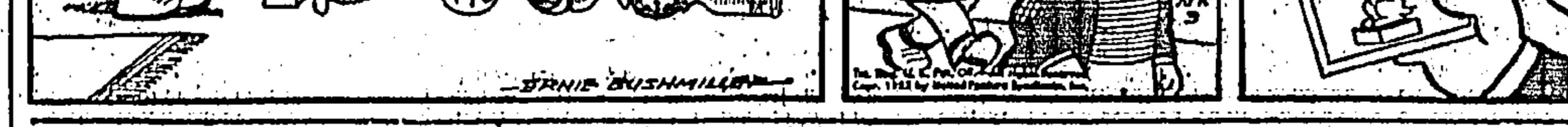
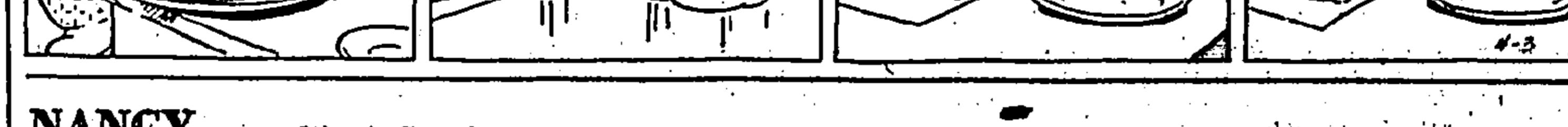
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6. It is not known if the Saudi Government would accept these demands.

7. An alternative penalty for Aramco's failure fully to exploit the concession is by payment of royalties on the oil net products.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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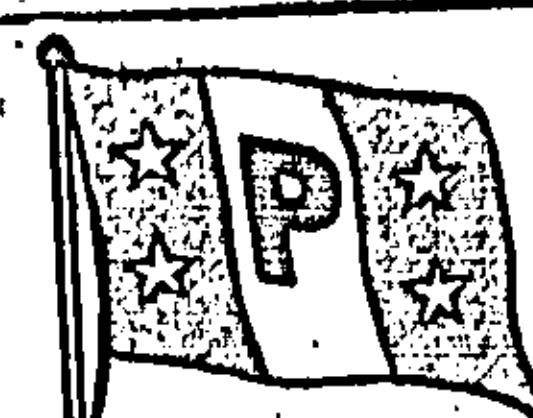
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Chain Of New Ports Coming Into Operation

Decline In Rubber Futures

Singapore, May 6.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb. 23s-0d-0s

Number 2 rubber, June 23s-0d-0s

Number 4 rubber, June 23s-0d-0s

Spot rubber, unbaled 23s-0d-0s

Blanket crepe 23s-0d-0s

No. 1 pale crepe 23s-0d-0s

—United Press.

NEW YORK MARKET

New York, May 6.
Prices of rubber futures closed lower with sales totalling 244

contracts:—

September 26s-20-00

October 26s-01 nominal

November 26s-02 nominal

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LONDON MARKET

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Waves Of Allied Bombers Attack Targets In Korea

Tokyo, May 7.

Wave after wave of Allied bombers hit important Communist railway targets on Monday and Tuesday in an effort to reduce the steadily increasing flow of supplies from Manchuria to the Communist battlefront.

Fighter bombers from four different wings concentrated on Tuesday on the vital railway junction of Sunchon, north of Pyongyang, and scored 113 hits along a five-mile stretch of track.

It was a follow-up of yesterday's day and night blasting of Huichon, another important railway link in north Central Korea.

New Post For Lennox-Boyd

From GUY EDEN
London, May 6.

Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, 47, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, is to become Minister of Transport. He will succeed Mr John S. Macay, who is 46, whose resignation through ill health was announced from Downing Street today.

The announcement of Mr Lennox-Boyd's appointment will be made soon.

Two stiff tasks await the Minister of Transport. He may have to give rulings in the coming findings of the Transport Tribunal on fares and he will have to handle one of the most difficult bills of recent years shortly—when the White Paper on the Government's plans for the control of road haulage is debated in Parliament. The White Paper comes out tomorrow. —London Express Service.

Heated Words In Commons

London, May 6.

The British Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, was involved in a heated clash in the House of Commons today over the position of his Cabinet "overlords"—two Ministers who co-ordinate several departments. He defended Lord Woolton, co-ordinator of food and agriculture, against Labour Opposition demands for his resignation.

Labour Members protested that Lord Woolton, in the House of Lords last week, said that he was not responsible to Parliament for his "overlord" activities but to the Cabinet.

Mr Churchill said: "I am quite sure that Lord Woolton accepts that he is accountable to Parliament."

He said that the device of co-ordinating Ministers had been used in the past.

His relatives did not impugn the responsibility to Parliament of the departmental Ministers whose policies they co-ordinate.

They had no statutory powers as co-ordinating Ministers, but they shared in the collective responsibility of the Government as a whole and as Ministers of the Crown were accountable to Parliament—Reuter.

Court Sequel To Accident

Manchester, May 6.

Lance-Corporal G. Hawarden, 19, of the Royal Military Police, who was involved in a crossroads accident in which five children were killed, was bound over for two years on a charge of dangerous driving at Manchester today.

His licence was suspended for five years.

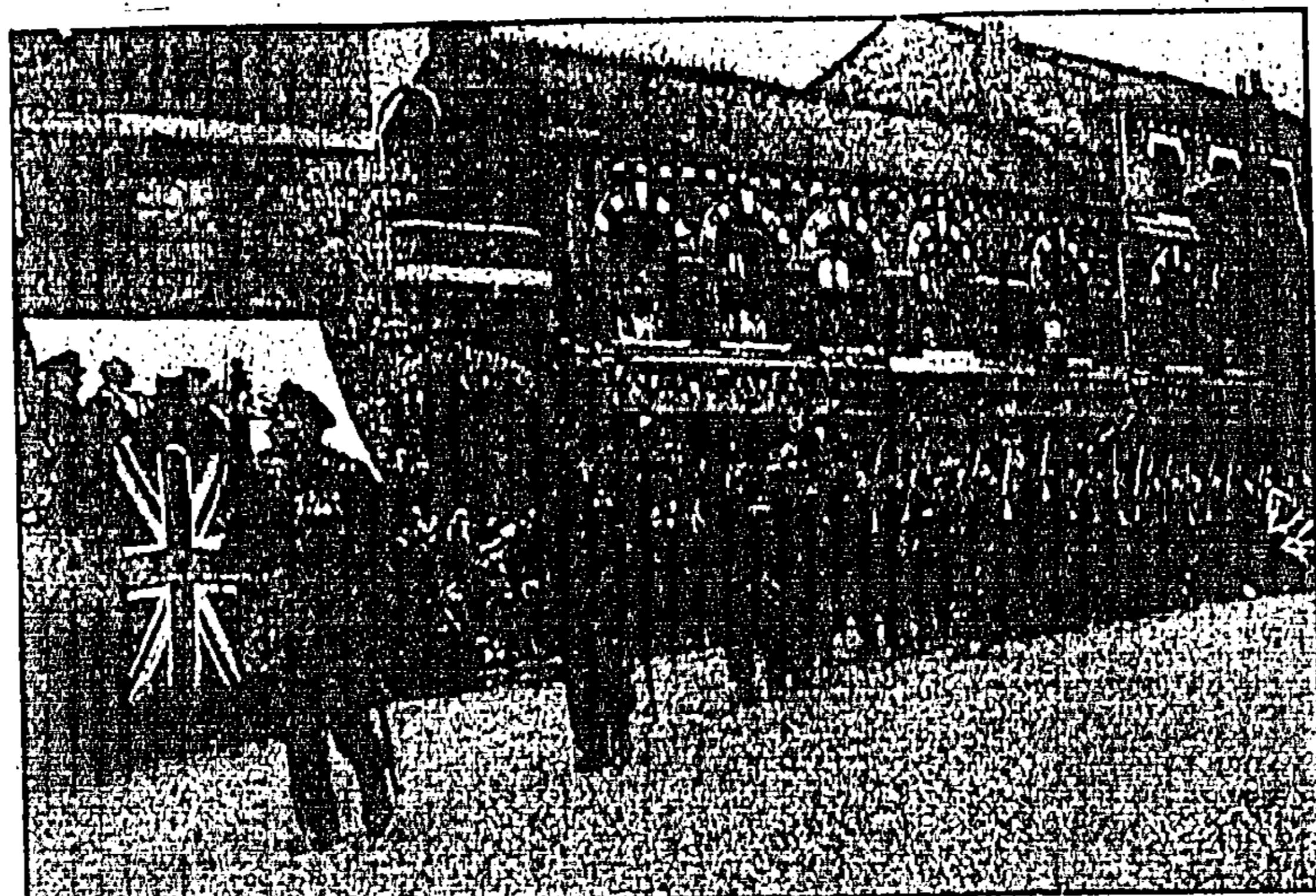
Hawarden was found not guilty last Wednesday on a charge of manslaughter of one of the five children but guilty on the lesser charge of dangerous driving.

Hawarden's army van was in collision with a Manchester Corporation bus. The bus incurred the pavement and killed the children.

The bus driver, who was tried separately, was found guilty on a charge of dangerous driving—Reuter.

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Freedom Of City For Regiment



House Of Lords Reform

London, May 6.
The Government today promised to consider reforming the 900-year-old House of Lords as soon as the country has weathered the economic crisis.

The Marquess of Salisbury, Government leader in the House of Lords, said Prime Minister Winston Churchill would carry out his pre-election pledge last October to call an all-party conference on the future of the upper house.

He was replying to a question from the 81-year-old Liberal leader, Viscount Samuel, whose party is eager for a drastic reform of the House of Lords.

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SUSPICIOUS

Socialist Peers greeted Lord Jowitt's announcement with suspicion.

Lord Jowitt, Labour leader in the House, asked whether the Conservatives intended to use the reform to restore the House of Lords power of blocking laws for a period of two years.

This period was cut by Labour to one year in 1948-49, move described by the London Times today as "partisan" and "purely opportunistic" because Socialists wanted their steel nationalization bill to go through quickly.

Labour also wants to reform the chamber because peers come mostly from traditionally Conservative families, giving the Tories a perpetual majority.

Besides hereditary peers, the House of Lords also includes 25 Irish peers elected for life, 16 Scottish peers elected by the Scottish peers for the duration of each Parliament, and a few law lords.—Reuter.

Brave Arrest Rewarded

London, May 6.

Detective Chief Superintendent George Micallef of the West Riding Constabulary, Wakefield, has been appointed a member of the Order of British Empire for courage in arresting an armed man who shot and killed two police officers.

The award was announced in tonight's London Gazette, which also announced the award for acts of bravery, nine George Medals, eight British Medals and ten Queen's Commendations.

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Had Air Pistol: Fined \$200

Joseph Caines, 27, driver, RASC Causeway Bay, was fined \$200 or one month by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for possession of one Webley & Scott air pistol.

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Western Powers To Reply To Soviet Note This Weekend

London, May 6.

The Western Powers' reply to the latest Soviet note on Germany may be ready for despatch to Moscow at the weekend.

French, British and United States officials held morning and afternoon meetings at the Foreign Office today on the text of the reply, usually well informed quarters here said today.

Bankruptcy Hearing Adjourned

The public examination of Leung Chiu-kai, a partner of the Sun On Hao (firm) of 215, Wing Lok Street, ground floor, in bankruptcy, was adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow by Mr Justice Reece in the Bankruptcy Court this morning.

The petitioning creditors were the Chien Sheng Yun (firm) and Wong Sui-ching, a partner thereof, both of No. 109, Bonham Strand East. They were represented by Mr V. L. J. D'Alton, instructed by Mr J. C. Stewart.

Mr A. J. Clifford, instructed by Messrs. Hastings and Company, appeared for the Sun On Hao firm and Leung Chiu-kai and Mr M. A. da Silva represented the Trustees.

Mr. M. Morley-John, Deputy Registrar-General, for the Official Receiver made the application for adjournment, which was granted by his Lordship.

Plaintiffs are represented by Mr. Brook A. Bernacini and Mr. S. V. Gittins, instructed by Mr. J. T. Prior, of Wilkinson and Grist. Last two defendants are represented by Mr. John McNeil, QC, and Mr. Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva. The other defendants were not legally represented.

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Hearing is proceeding.

BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM

An action for breach of contract was brought before Mr. Justice Gould (Public Judge) in the Supreme Court this morning by the Netherlands Trading Society, of 9 Queen's Road Central, against Messrs. Wayne and Haylett, D. K. Wayne (partner in the firm), Haylett Li (partner in the same firm), all of Prince's Building, and Chan Soon-fat and Chan Ping-fung, both of 23 Connaught Road West.

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Shigemitsu To Head Party

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Mamoru Shigemitsu, veteran diplomat and former Foreign Minister, today will formally accept the offer to head the Progressive Party.

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